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Title: IN SITU THERMAL

PROCESSING OF A **HYDROCARBON**

CONTAINING

FORMATION USING

HEAT SOURCES

POSITIONED WITHIN **OPEN WELLBORES**

Examiner:

Unknown

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